

STORES OPEN FROM 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. EXCEPT SATURDAY

WEATHER: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Slightly warmer in east and central portions of day. Moderate variable winds.

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## MEXICAN STRAINED RELATIONS MAY ULTIMATELY MEAN WAR

Senator Fall Offers Resolution To Break Off  
Diplomatic Relations With Carranza's  
Government

## SENATORS CALL ON PRES. WILSON

Washington, Dec. 5.—President Wilson will see Senators Fall and Hitchcock at 2:30 this afternoon to discuss the Mexican situation.

Senator Fall announced that immediately after the conference he would make public the views on which he based his stand in the Senate that the Mexican Ambassador and consuls of the United States were carrying "Red" propaganda. Senator Fall and Hitchcock had agreed as a committee yesterday by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to confer with the president and seek his views on the resolution offered by Senator Fall requesting the president to sever diplomatic relations with the Mexican government.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The Foreign Relations Committee will meet until Monday to consider the report of Senators Fall and Hitchcock as to the President's views on the Mexican situation.

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If the Senate passes the Fall resolution and it is put into effect by President Wilson, the next move will be up to the State and War Departments.

If the State Department follows precedent it will serve notice on Mexico, in toto, that the lives of American citizens and the property of Americans in Mexico must be respected, and if anything happens after this warning the only thing the American government can do will be to send its armed forces into Mexico to save American lives and property.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The Mexican Embassy has made public that Mexico had exerted in an official communication from its ambassador to the Mexican State Department to the United States by consulting with Carranza the holding of William W. Jenkins, the American Consul, in the downfall of the American Agent at Puebla.

The statement goes to some extent to prove that the action of the Mexican authorities is unauthorized both by the constitution and by the law.

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## MAYNARD WILL SPEAK IN WINSTON SALEM BEFORE SOU. CONGRESS

Left Mineola Field Today  
For Savannah,  
Georgia

## PLANS BIG FLIGHT

Mineola Field, L. I., Dec. 5.—Lieutenant Belvin W. Maynard, the trans-continental flyer, left here this morning on a flight to Savannah, Ga., via Washington, and from there will airplane to Winston-Salem, N. C., to make an address before the Southern Commercial Congress Sunday.

While in Winston-Salem he will dedicate an aviation field named in his honor.

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## MAY SOUND KEYNOTE AT DEMOCRATIC DINNER IMMODEST DRESS BAR WOMEN FROM CHURCH

Wilson, If Well Enough, Archbishop Of Paris  
Will Make Ad-  
dress

Issues New Mani-  
festo

## OPENING CAMPAIGN POPE CONDEMS

Washington, Dec. 5.—President Wilson may sound the keynote for the next Democratic campaign on January 8.

The Democratic National Committee has announced plans for a banquet on that date, to be held at the Parisian, that they will here, and it was announced that be forbidden to enter churches if the President's health is better unless they obey the dictates of he will make the keynote speech.

This is the first big Democratic prelate says, in part: banquet since 1912. It will be "Our repeated warnings have fallen upon deaf ears. Members which will select the place for the next convention. Covers will be laid for 800. Women will be guests.

## GERMANY WON'T SIGN PROTOCOL OF TREATY

Paris, Dec. 5.—Germany has decided not to sign the protocol presented to her by the allies as a condition for putting the peace treaty into effect. The Peace Conference has been notified.

The attitude taken is confirming reports of a sharp resolution in Germany for the last fortnight, which observers of German developments have expressed to members of the Peace Conference.

This view is that there has been a complete transformation of the situation in Germany and that it is due to the failure of the United States Senate to ratify the Peace Treaty.

Thus far it is stated, no indications have reached Paris of any disposition on the part of the Germans to modify their attitude on the allies' insistence

for indemnity for the sinking of the German fleet at Scapa Flow, which is one cause of German dissatisfaction.

## MEXICAN FIESTAS TABOOED IN CEMETERY

Mexico City, Dec. 5.—A new municipal law forbids Mexicans to hold fiestas in cemeteries ever since complain bitterly of the graves of their grandmothers, never-sleeping strikes and dwelleres or other relatives, as has been willingness to work, the Berlin city the annual practice of the poorer government is aiding striking people on All Souls' Day. This metal workers in the Berlin subsection has been taken at the returns who refuse to resume work most of the church authorities, although suffering from lack of money and food.

The majority have formed similar holidays in the long calendar of such days in Mexico has been All Souls' Day which by whereby the community will attempt to repeat the ruling. They maintain that the huge sums paid

such should be observed as a solo occasion. The poor class of native, however, had turned it into a day of hilarity and general rejoicing and it was no uncommon thing to find a happy group drinking pulque and singing songs over the grave of some dear and deceased relatives.

## ALLIES MAY TAKE DRAMATIC STEPS TO FORCE PEACE ON GERMANY

Rumor Says Supreme Council Threatens The Occupation Of Germany By  
Allied Troops

## OPINION HUNS MUST BE FORCED

### CARPENTIER, CHAMPION IN LAST NIGHT'S FIGHT MUST FACE DEMPSEY

American Champion's Representative Will Sign Today

## LEWIS IN LONDON

New Orleans, La., Dec. 5.—Jack Dempsey is already under contract to meet in New Orleans

the winner in the Beckett-Carpenter fight, it was announced today by Dominick Tortorich, promoter of this city.

Tortorich also stated that Nat Lewis, of Chicago, acting as his representative, was due to London today to sign the contract with Carpenter.

London, Dec. 5.—Carpentier, Frenchman, won the heavy weight championship of Europe for an efficient note received knocking out Beckett, Englishman from Berlin announced that new negotiations would soon have

beginning for Versailles.

According to the official time-keeper sufficed to decide the contest between the Anglo-French contestants for the European hours as heavy-weight champion Beckett being put to sleep with a terrific blow by Carpenter which was heard all over the stadium in the first round.

Seventy-four seconds, record for Versailles.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 5.—State officials today received a report of a raid by Mexican bandits near the border in San Jacinto county.

The report said that the owner

was found after which

was looted and the bandits fled

across the border.

The report came from a Texas ranger officer.

Refuse to deliver

Bela Kun to Hungary

### GENERAL STRIKE IS DISCONTINUED

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December 1919, 38.75

January 1920, 36.83

March 1920, 34.75

May 1920, 32.50

July 1920, 30.50

COTTON SEED MARKET

Cotton Seed per bushel, \$1.45 12